

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
Application No.: 10/784,716
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REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1, 10, 15, 18, and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Nayak (U.S. Patent No. 6,234,416). Claims 2-9, 11-14, 16, and 17 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejections and to include the limitations of their base and intervening claims, as appropriate. Applicants note that the Examiner did not specifically reject any of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112. However, the Examiner did object to the specification based on the wording of claim 19.

Solely to advance prosecution of particular exemplary embodiments of the present invention, Applicants have amended independent claim 1, incorporating the allowable features of claim 2 therein, and also amended independent claims 15 and 18, incorporating the allowable features of claim 16 therein. Claims 2 and 16 have been canceled, and the dependent claims amended accordingly. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims have been placed in form for allowance.

Objection to the Specification

The Examiner objected to the specification, noting that the term “operation-push surface” in claim 19 is not disclosed. Applicants have amended claim 19 to more clearly define this feature as a --press operation surface--. The press operation surface is item 86C in the specification.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

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